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CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING
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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers at City Hall December 10, 2018. Mayor Rinella called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Mayor Rinella led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA.

The minutes of the November 26, 2018 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Mayor Rinella recognized the students from Mr. Martin's Civic class at Marion High school who were present to watch City Government in action.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF AUDIT REPORT

Jalayne Luckett of Atlas CPAs and Advisors presented the 2018 Audit Report for the City of Marion, stating the City of Marion's revenues have doubled in the past 13 years. Mrs. Luckett also reported the City of Marion is doing a good job of controlling the expenses and living within the City's budget.

TREASURER

City Treasurer Steve Hale presented Ordinance 3483, An Ordinance providing for the levy of taxes for the City of Marion, Illinois FY year 2018. Treasurer Hale reported the City's portion of the property taxes stayed the same. If the EAV increases – an individual could possibly pay less than last year's taxes based on the City of Marion's Levy of Taxes for 2018. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve Ordinance 3483 as presented with Commissioner Patton seconding the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

INSURANCE

Jon Cavaness, Insurance Agent for Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance presented the insurance renewal plans for 2019 with a 7% increase in the rates. Part of the increase in the rates, Jon explained, is due to the increased costs of the medical care from the hospitals and doctors. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance Renewal for 2019 with Commissioner Webb seconding the motion. With no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

Jon Cavaness explained the Senior Choice Renewal plan for seniors over 65 years of age. The Senior Choice has a 5.3% increase.

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Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the Senior Choice Renewal at 5.3% increase for 2019. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Hightower asked the Council to approve the replacement of the existing sanitary sewer along 5th Street from Main Street to the school bus terminal, replacing approximately 750 feet of clay tile sanitary sewer that is in poor condition with new 8-inch PVC pipe at an approximate cost of \$170,000.00. This is in the TIF budget for sanitary sewer improvements. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Patton asked the Council to approve the replacement of a 2" waterline on Vicksburg Street south from the Pawn Shop to Stockton Street with a 6" waterline. At an approximate cost of \$14,000.00. This is a budgeted item.

Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

STREET DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Goss stated with the extension of Halfway Road from West Main Street to Westminster Road, Westminster Road will be handling much more traffic. Engineer Glenn Clarida explained that Westminster Road will have to be widened to approximately 24 feet. It will be a concrete street with curbs and gutters. Commissioner Goss made a motion for Clarida and Ziegler Engineering to prepare cost estimate of improvements of Westminster Road from Fosse Road east to Carbon Street. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion. With no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

HUB RECREATION CENTER

Hub Recreation Center General Manager Chris Georgantas requested council approval of the following new Part-time Employees.

Steven Kosco – Fitness Attendant \$9.00/hour.

Clyde Dwayne Nation – Security Officer \$15.00/hour, Fitness Attendant \$9.00 /hour.

Corie Rice – Volleyball Sports Staff \$9.00/hour.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the above stated individuals at the proposed jobs and pay rates. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTGED YEA.

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Hub Recreation Center General Manager Chris Georgantas asked the Council to approve the resignation of Karleigh Williamson as the HUB Southern Illinois Select Volleyball club (SISVBC) Director.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve the resignation of Karleigh Williamson as the HUB Southern Illinois Select Volleyball club (SISVBC) Director. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

Hub Recreation Center General Manager Chris Georgantas asked the Council's approval to place Reggie Bateman as the HUB Southern Illinois Select Volleyball Club (SISVBC) Director. At \$20.00 /hour (Mr. Bateman is currently an instructor at the same rate).

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve Reggie Bateman as the replacement for the HUB Southern Illinois Select Volleyball Club (SISVBC) Director at \$20.00/hour. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

Hub Recreation Center General Manager Chris Georgantas presented a list of 43 employee separations from the HUB between January 1, 2018 and December 10, 2018 with the majority of the employees - part time. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the list of separations with Commissioner Patton seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

Code Office Manager Kathy Spicer asked the Council to approve for the City of Marion to take bids for demolition of a property on South Madison Street.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the City taking bids for the demolition of a property on South Madison Street with Commissioner Patton seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

TIF

Resolution 2018-24 – Resolution approving an Inducement Agreement for 500 WD 62959. City Administrator Gail West explained this resolution is for a new TIF. The new TIF will be Marion Highland Street TIF District. Gail stated our TIF Consultants believe this property qualifies.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-24. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

There are two major improvements eligible for TIF Benefits within this new proposed TIF District.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

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Resolution 2018-25 – Resolution approving an Inducement Agreement for 1100-1109 NH 62959.

The property is between Highland Street and Rt. 13 and 2 blocks south of DeYoung to the railroad tracks. This is the same developer for both TIF's. The developer will be rehabbing a strip mall center and building new buildings.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-25 as stated with Commissioner Goss seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Webb gave the Police Report for November with 7 City Ordinance violations reported and 7 DUI arrests.

Commissioner Webb gave the Fire Report for November with 5 fires and 63 various calls.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to pay the monthly bills as funds become available. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated December 10, 2018. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rinella announced IDOT added six seconds to the left-hand turn lane at Halfway Road and W. DeYoung Street. Mayor Rinella and Engineer Glenn Clarida will be meeting with IDOT tomorrow December 11th.

Mayor Rinella announced a Special Meeting has been called for December 12th at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room to approve the bid and project costs for the improvements to Stanford Avenue and Princeton Avenue.

7:45 P.M.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA.



City Clerk Alice F. Rix

Attested: 12-26-2018



Mayor Anthony L. Rinella